

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

Alexandria Division

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	Criminal Case No. 1:04cr424
)	
v.)	
)	The Honorable Gerald Bruce Lee
JOHN W. DAHLQUIST)	

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The United States and the defendant, John W. Dahlquist, agree that had this matter proceeded to trial, the United States would have proven the facts outlined below beyond a reasonable doubt.

1. On October 7, 2004, at approximately 8:35 a.m., Officers Michael Smith and Frank Harrell of the United States Park Police were patrolling the George Washington Memorial Parkway in the area of Belle Haven Road in Fairfax County, Virginia, which is within the Eastern District of Virginia.

2. The officers observed a large SUV with the hood up, stopped in the right lane of the Parkway. Stopped behind that vehicle was a small Hyundai SUV which had blue flashing lights on inside. The owner of the Hyundai was the defendant, John W. Dahlquist.

3. As the officers pulled up to the two vehicles, the defendant approached them and showed them a badge on which the words "Federal Officer" were engraved. This badge was in a carrying case and the badge had a chain attached to it and could be removed and worn around the neck. In the center of the badge, was an insignia and words "Fraternal Order of Police," with the letters U and S straddling those words and a five point star. The gold-colored badge was made of metal and was topped with an Eagle.

4. Dahlquist informed the two police officers that the vehicle in front of his needed assistance. That vehicle was indeed broken down. The driver of that vehicle was originally approached by Dahlquist who identified himself to her as a police officer and reported that he would seek assistance for her. Dahlquist appeared to use a cellular phone and report the

problem, although the driver did not know if Dahlquist had really called anyone.

5. As the officers spoke with Dahlquist, Harrell remembered he had previously pulled Dahlquist over for driving with blue lights flashing about three weeks earlier, also on the George Washington Memorial Parkway. At that time, Dahlquist also identified himself as a federal officer with homeland security and flashed a similar-looking badge. At that time, the Park Police officer did not issue Dahlquist any tickets for having the blue lights.

6. On this occasion, the police officers asked Dahlquist if the Hyundai was his personal car as opposed to a work vehicle. Dahlquist indicated it was his personal car. The officer inquired about the use of blue lights in his personal car and Dahlquist responded that Tom Ridge had written a memo stating his agency was allowed to put blue lights in their personal vehicles. Dahlquist further stated he could write the vehicle off of his taxes when it is used for work.

7. Dahlquist further stated he worked for the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) under the Department of Homeland Security. DIA is actually a combat support agency of the Department of Defense.

8. The officers asked Dahlquist if he had law enforcement credentials. Dahlquist produced a wallet containing the badge and identification cards. One ID card contained the words Defense Intelligence Agency printed over an insignia which is actually the emblem of the Central Intelligence Agency. In bold letters on top of the ID card, were the words "INTELLIGENCE OFFICER" with the word "VETERAN" just below that. There was a "CONTROL NO. 951432-V" next to a signature which read John W. Dahlquist. The defendant's photo was embossed on the left side of the card. On the back of this ID card under the title "SPECIALTY SKILLS," was written "Counter-Terrorism Weapons Specialist; Chem/BioSpecialist (sic); Tactical OPS; Emergency Medical; Non-Leathal (sic) Force Threat Assessment; Covert OPS." The ID card also contained the defendant's biographical information including height, weight, hair and eye color and blood type. At the bottom of the ID card was written the words, "NOT VALID IF ALTERED."

9. The second ID card had the heading “FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY” on top. Again, Dahlquist’s photo was embossed on the card above an “IDENTIFICATION NO. V-71543A.” The defendant’s name is printed on the card as “Dahlquist, John,” and his home address is listed above the words “Rank: MAJ.” There is a line which contained a signature reading John W. Dahlquist. There were boxes for biographical and other information including “Date Issued: N/A Expiration: N/A,” and then the defendant’s height, weight, hair and eye color are listed under their respective boxes.

10. The officers asked Dahlquist if he could provide a name of a supervisor to confirm his employment as a federal law enforcement officer or employee. The defendant stated that information was classified.

11. The defendant was asked if he was carrying a weapon. Dahlquist stated he had one under his left shoulder. The officers arrested Dahlquist. The shoulder holster and firearm were removed. The firearm was a .45 semi-automatic pistol which had a magazine fully loaded with fifteen cartridges as well as a cartridge loaded in the chamber. On the holster were two more fully loaded magazines for a total of 46 rounds of ammunition. Dahlquist did have a conceal carry permit issued by the Circuit Court for Fairfax County.

12. The Defense Intelligence Agency has no employment history for the defendant, John W. Dahlquist. The identifications cards are fictitious documents. The internet contains a variety of websites from which similar identification cards can be ordered. There is not a “Federal Security Agency” within the United States government, although a private security firm with that name does exist in the state of Indiana.

13. The Park Police obtained a search warrant for the defendant’s residence. They found a large number of police badges and patches, some of which were ceremoniously displayed. The defendant also had a large number of firearms, hundreds of rounds of ammunition and clothing with U.S. Secret Service emblems, a camouflage bullet-proof vest, a shirt with a “United States Protection Agency” logo and a plastic storage bin labeled “LAW Enforcement Equipment.”

14. The area of the George Washington Memorial Parkway in which the defendant was found with a loaded firearm is within the jurisdiction of the National Park Service.

15. The actions of the defendant as recounted above were in all respects knowing and deliberate, and were not committed by mistake, accident, or other innocent reason.

Respectfully submitted,

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Defendant's Stipulation and Signature

After consulting with my attorney and pursuant to the plea agreement I entered into this day with the United States, I hereby stipulate that the above statement of facts is true and accurate. I further stipulate that had the matter proceeded to trial, the United States would have proved the same beyond a reasonable doubt.

Date: _____
John W. Dahlquist
Defendant

Defense Counsel's Signature

I am John W. Dahlquist's attorney. I have carefully reviewed the above statement of facts with him. To my knowledge, his decision to stipulate to these facts is an informed and voluntary one.

Date: _____
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